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PATENT  
CASE NO. 56/426

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application:

Michael Brakelmann et al.

Serial No.: 10/776,464

Filed: February 10, 2004

For: METHOD FOR THE  
ORIENTATION OF A SPINDLE  
AND NUMERICAL CONTROL  
DEVICE OF A MACHINE TOOL  
EMBODIED FOR THE METHOD  
FOR THE ORIENTATION OF  
THE SPINDLE

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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

Mail Stop Issue Fee  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 20, 2006.

The proposed Amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented because it amends the

specification so as to use language that is consistent with that used in the Examiner's Amendment mailed on January 20, 2006. In addition, the proposed Amendment corrects the numeral identifying the spindle in paragraph 0032. Since the present Amendment regards matters of form, it is not believed that an additional search will be required. Furthermore, it is not believed that any new issues should be raised by the Amendment. Accordingly, Applicants request that the present Amendment be entered.